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## 2015 MARYLAND FIELD CROP SUMMARY

<u>Corn</u> for grain production is estimated at 62.32 million bushels, down 17 percent from the 2014 record high production. The average yield in Maryland is estimated at 164.0 bushels per acre, 11.0 bushels below the 2014 record yield of 175.0 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 380 thousand acres, down 12 percent from last year.

<u>Corn silage</u> production is estimated at 990 thousand tons, down 25 percent from 2014. Silage yield is estimated at 22.0 tons per acre, unchanged from 2014. Area harvested for silage is estimated at 45 thousand acres, down 25 percent from a year ago.

**Barley** production is estimated at 2.42 million bushels, down 30 percent from 2014. Yield is estimated at 69.0 bushels per acre, down 8.0 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 35 thousand acres, is 22 percent below the previous year.

<u>Soybean</u> production is estimated at 20.6 million bushels, down 11 percent from 2014. Yield is estimated at 40.0 bushels per acre, down 6.0 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 515 thousand acres, is up 2 percent from the previous year.

<u>Wheat</u> production is estimated at 17.28 million bushels, down 1 percent from the previous year. Yield is estimated at 64.0 bushels per acre, down 6.0 bushels from the previous year. Harvested area, at 270 thousand acres, is 8 percent above the previous year.

<u>All Dry Hay</u> production is estimated at 532 thousand tons, up 3 percent from 2014. Yield is estimated at 2.47 tons per acre, down 0.18 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 215 thousand acres, is 10 percent above the previous year.

<u>Alfalfa</u> production is estimated at 154 thousand tons, up 16 percent from 2014. Yield is estimated at 4.40 tons per acre, up 0.60 tons from the previous year. Harvested area, at 35 thousand acres, is unchanged from the previous year.

<u>Potato</u> production is estimated at 792 thousand cwt, down 9 percent from 2014. Yield is estimated at 330 cwt per acre, down 50 cwt from the previous year. Harvested area, at 2.4 thousand acres, is 4 percent above the previous year.

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